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**NOTICE OF MEETING TO SOLICIT PUBLIC COMMENTS AND INTENT TO ACT
UPON AMENDMENTS TO THE NEVADA MEDICAID SERVICES MANUAL and
THE STATE PLAN FOR MEDICAID SERVICES**

AGENDA

- Date of Publication:** May 27, 2005
- Date and Time of Meeting:** June 29, 2005 starting at 9:00 a.m.
- Name of Organization:** The State of Nevada, Department of Human Resources, Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP)
- Place of Meeting:** Public Utilities Commission
1150 E. William St
Hearing Room A
Carson City, NV 89701
- Place of Video-Conference:** Public Utilities Commission
101 Convention Center Dr. Ste 250
Hearing Room A
Las Vegas, NV 89109
- Subject:** Nevada Medicaid Service Manuals (MSM) and State Plan Amendment (SPA)
1. ***Discussion and Proposed Adoption of Amendments to MSM Chapter 100 - Eligibility Coverage and Limitations**

Updates on this chapter are to make changes necessitated by legislature to clarify the Medicaid Services Manual by stating the codification of regulations adopted by the Division as based on Nevada Revised Statutes 422.2368. The table of contents format has been changed, and definitions of Habilitation and Prior Authorization have been added.
 2. **Public Comment for Chapter 100**
 3. ***Discussion and Proposed Adoption of New MSM Chapter 800 – Laboratory Services**

Updates to this chapter include: Removal of Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment and Single Source Laboratories from the Definitions section; Removed all references to single source laboratories coverage and limitations, and added policy for all providers of laboratory services; The Hearings section has expanded their title to include Grievances; Removed Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Nevada and Single Source Laboratory American Medical Laboratory from the References and Cross References section; Added the Prior Authorization Department to First Health Services Corporation.

4. Public Comment for Chapter 800

5. *Discussion and Proposed Adoption of New MSM Chapter 3500– Personal Care Services Program

Universal changes throughout the Chapter include: Change name program from Personal Care “Aide” to Personal Care “Services” Program to be consistent with Federal language in SSA and CFR; Replaced “Medicaid” with the title “Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP) throughout the Chapter; Added Nevada-Checkup as appropriate throughout the Chapter; Inserted Quality Improvement Organization (QIO) like Vendor to all references of fiscal or authorizing agent in this Chapter; Corrected spelling and typographical errors throughout the Chapter.

6. Public Comment for Chapter 3500

7. *Discussion and Proposed Adoption of State Plan Amendment 05-003 – Laboratory and Pathology Services

Effective July 1, 2005, the requirement that Nevada Medicaid contract with a sole-source laboratory provider is to be removed. Covered laboratory and pathology services will be allowed to be performed by any willing Nevada Medicaid provider. The Medicaid State Plan is also being amended to clarify how laboratory and pathology codes/services will be priced and paid.

The proposed rate setting methodology has been designed to have zero dollar impact.

8. Public Comment for State Plan Amendment 05-003

9. *Discussion and Proposed Adoption of State Plan Amendment 05-004 – Reimbursement Methodology for State-Operated Inpatient Psychiatric Hospitals

Effective July 1, 2005, interim rates will be calculated based on the most recent audited cost reports. The interim rate will be subject to

settlement under Medicare principles of retrospective reimbursement described in 42 CFR 413 and HCFA Publication 15.

Fiscal Impact will increase expenditures by the following:

FFY 05	Fed: \$73,606	State: n/a
SFY 06	Fed: \$295,069	State: \$240,932
SFY 07	Fed: \$290,834	State: \$245,167

10. Public Comment for State Plan Amendment 05-004

11. *Discussion and Proposed Adoption of State Plan Amendment 05-005 – Reimbursement Methodology for Free-standing Nursing Facilities

Effective July 1, 2005, this SPA describes rate setting for new free-standing nursing facilities that is consistent with the rate methodology for existing facilities. It establishes the ability to set a specialty rate for behaviorally complex recipients in free-standing nursing facilities. It also changes the State Plan to comply with provisions of Public Law 108-422 (payments to Nevada State Veterans Home cannot be reduced by amounts paid by the Veterans Administration to assist Medicaid eligible veterans in this facility).

The proposed rate setting method for Nursing Homes has been designed to have zero dollar impact.

Fiscal Impact for Nevada State Veteran's Nursing Home will be increased by:

SFY 05	Fed: \$350,969	State: \$279,590
SFY 06	Fed: \$596,436	State: \$487,008
SFY 07	Fed: \$587,877	State: \$495,568

12. Public Comment for State Plan Amendment 05-005

13. *Discussion and Proposed Adoption of State Plan Amendment 05-008 – State Operated Children's Clinics Providing Early Intervention Services

Effective July 1, 2005, this SPA describes the rate setting methodology that is to be used to set rates for state operated Special Children's Clinics providing Early Intervention services. The new rate setting methodology is designed to adjust the reimbursable rates to better reflect the actual costs of the clinics in providing these services.

Fiscal Impact will increase expenditures by the following:

FFY 05 \$13,236.24

FFY 06 \$53,626.45

14. Public Comment for State Plan Amendment 05-008

15. General Public Comments limited to 5 minutes per person.

16. *Adjournment

Nevada Medicaid is unaware of any financial impact to other entities or local government due to this public hearing, other than as stated above.

*** Denotes items, including subparts, on which action may be taken.**

PLEASE NOTE: Items may be taken out of order at the discretion of the chairperson. If an action item is not completed within the time frame that has been allotted, that action item will be continued at a future time designated and announced at this meeting by the chairperson. All public comment may be limited to 5 minutes.

Notice of this meeting and draft copies of the changes will be available on or after the date of this notice at the DHCFP Web site (dhcfp.state.nv.us); Carson City Central office and Las Vegas DHCFP. The agenda posting of this meeting can be viewed at the follow locations: Nevada State Library; Carson City Library; Churchill County Library; Las Vegas Library; Douglas County Library; Elko County Library; Lincoln County Library; Lyon County Library; Mineral County Library; Tonopah Public Library; Pershing County Library; Goldfield Public Library; Eureka Branch Library; Humboldt County Library; Lander County Library; Storey County Library; Washoe County Library; and White Pine County Library and may be reviewed during normal business hours.

If requested in writing, a copy of the proposal will be mailed to you. Requests and/or written comments on the proposed changes may be sent to the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy, 1100 E. William Street, Suite 102, Carson City, NV 89701.

All persons that have requested in writing to receive the Public Hearings Agenda have been duly notified by mail or e-mail.

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